

*Tuesday, June 10, 1997*

# *Daily Digest*

## Senate

### *Chamber Action*

*Routine Proceedings, pages S5431–S5483*

**Measures Introduced:** Twelve bills were introduced as follows: S 863–874. **Page S5444**

**Nominations Received:** Senate received the following nominations:

Patrick A. Shea, of Utah, to be Director of the Bureau of Land Management.

1 Marine Corps nomination in the rank of general.

Routine lists in the Army and Marine Corps.

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**Motion to Adjourn:** By 55 yeas to 37 nays (Vote No. 98), Senate agreed to a motion to adjourn.

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**Measures Placed on Calendar:** **Page S5444**

**Communications:** **Page S5444**

**Statements on Introduced Bills:** **Pages S5444–64**

**Additional Cosponsors:** **Pages S5464–65**

**Additional Statements:** **Pages S5465–68**

**Record Votes:** One record vote was taken today. (Total—98) **Page S5481**

**Quorum Calls:** One quorum call was taken today. (Total—3) **Page S5480**

**Adjournment:** Senate convened at 11 a.m., and adjourned at 4:40 p.m., until 12 noon, on Wednesday, June 11, 1997.

### *Committee Meetings*

*(Committees not listed did not meet)*

#### **BUDGET RECONCILIATION**

*Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry:* Committee completed its review of certain spending reductions and revenue increases to meet reconciliation expenditures as imposed by H. Con. Res. 84, establishing the congressional budget for the United States Government for fiscal year 1998 and setting forth appropriate budgetary levels for fiscal years 1999, 2000, 2001, and 2002, and agreed on rec-

ommendations which it will make thereon to the Committee on the Budget.

#### **APPROPRIATIONS—LEGISLATIVE BRANCH**

*Committee on Appropriations:* Subcommittee on the Legislative Branch concluded hearings on proposed budget estimates for fiscal year 1998, after receiving testimony in behalf of funds for their respective activities from Glen Nager, Chairman of the Board, and Ricky Silberman, Executive Director, both of the Senate Office of Compliance; Gregory S. Casey, Senate Sergeant at Arms; Gary Sisco, Secretary of the Senate; and Alan M. Hantman, Architect of the Capitol.

#### **AUTHORIZATION—DEFENSE**

*Committee on Armed Services:* Subcommittee on AirLand Forces met in closed session and approved for full committee consideration those provisions which fall within the jurisdiction of the subcommittee of S. 450, proposed National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Years 1998 and 1999.

#### **WATER AND POWER PROJECTS**

*Committee on Energy and Natural Resources:* Subcommittee on Water and Power concluded hearings on the following measures:

S. 439, to provide for Alaska State jurisdiction over small hydroelectric projects, to address voluntary licensing of hydroelectric projects on fresh waters in the State of Hawaii, and to provide an exemption for portion of a hydroelectric project located in the State of New Mexico, H.R. 651 and H.R. 652, bills to extend the deadline under the Federal Power Act for the construction of a hydroelectric project located in the State of Washington, and S. 846, to remove the jurisdiction of the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission to license projects on fresh waters in the State of Hawaii, after receiving testimony from Susan Tomasky, General Counsel, Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, Department of Energy; Percy Frisby, Alaska Division of Energy, Juneau; Robert S. Grimm, Alaska Power and Telephone Company, Port Townsend, Washington; Jack Hession, Sierra Club, and Charles Y. Walls, Alaska Village Electric Cooperative, both of Anchorage,

Alaska; and Mona Janopaul, Trout Unlimited, Arlington, Virginia, on behalf of the Hydropower Reform Coalition;

S. 736, to convey certain real property within the Carlsbad Project in New Mexico to the Carlsbad Irrigation District, and S. 744, to authorize the construction of the Fall River Water Users District Rural Water System and authorize financial assistance to the Fall River Water Users District, a nonprofit corporation, in the planning and construction of the water supply system, after receiving testimony from Eluid Martinez, Commissioner, Bureau of Reclamation, Department of the Interior; and Bruce C. Driver, Boulder, Colorado. Testimony was also received on S. 736 (listed above) from Tom Davis, Carlsbad Irrigation District, Carlsbad, New Mexico, and S. 744 (listed above) from Leonard Benson, Fall River Water Users District, Fall River, South Dakota; and

S. 538, to authorize the Secretary of the Interior to convey certain facilities of the Minidoka project in Idaho to the Burley Irrigation District, after receiving testimony from Mr. Martinez (listed above); and Roger D. Ling, Ling, Nielsen and Robinson, Rupert, Idaho.

#### ENFORCEMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL LAWS

*Committee on Environment and Public Works:* Committee concluded oversight hearings on the relationship between the Federal and State governments in the enforcement of environmental laws, after receiving testimony from Lois J. Schiffer, Assistant Attorney General, Environment and Natural Resources Division, Department of Justice; Steven H. Herman, Assistant Administrator, Office of Enforcement and Compliance Assistance, and Nikki L. Tinsley, Acting Inspector General, both of the Environmental Protection Agency; Connecticut Assistant Attorney General Joseph Rubin, Hartford; Mark Coleman, Oklahoma Department of Environmental Quality, Oklahoma City, on behalf of the Environmental Council of States; Becky Norton Dunlop, Virginia Department of Natural Resources, Richmond; Patricia S. Bangert, Office of the Attorney General for the State of Colorado, Denver; Christophe A.G. Tulou, Delaware Department of Natural Resources and Environmental Control, Dover; Todd E. Robins, U.S. Public Interest Research Group, Washington, D.C.; Robert R. Kuehn, Tulane Law School, New Orleans, Louisiana;

and Robert E. Harmon, Harmon Industries, Blue Springs, Missouri.

#### CHINA MFN TRADE STATUS

*Committee on Finance:* Committee held hearings on issues with regard to the Administration's renewal of the Most-Favored-Nation (MFN) trade status with China and U.S. trade policies with China, receiving testimony from Madeleine K. Albright, Secretary of State; Charlene Barshefsky, United States Trade Representative; T. Kumar, Amnesty International USA, and Barbara Shailor, AFL-CIO, both of Washington, D.C.; Nick Liang, China Society, San Francisco, California; Lawrence Pemble, U.S.-China Industrial Exchange, Inc. (CHINDEX), Bethesda, Maryland; and Edvard P. Torjesen, Evergreen Family Friendship Service, Colorado Springs, Colorado.

Hearings were recessed subject to call.

#### NATIONAL LABOR RELATIONS

*Committee on Labor and Human Resources:* Committee concluded hearings to examine the impact of organized labor's technique of salting whereby union organizers apply for jobs while at the same time advising their prospective employers that they are union organizers and intend to organize the employer's employees, and S. 328, to amend the National Labor Relations Act to provide that nothing in specified prohibitions against unfair labor practices shall be construed as requiring an employer to employ any person who seeks or has sought employment with the employer in furtherance of the objectives of an organization other than the employer, after receiving testimony from George E. Smith, Little Rock Electrical Contractors, Inc., Little Rock, Arkansas; Don O. Mailman, Bay Electric Company, Inc., Cape Elizabeth, Maine; Roselyn F. Nyeholt, Nyeholt Steel Company, Holt, Michigan; Terrance G. Korthof, Wright Electric, Inc., Plymouth, Minnesota; Charles Fletcher, Corey Delta Constructors, Benicia, California, on behalf of the Associated General Contractors of America; Robert A. Georgine, Building and Construction Trades Department (AFL-CIO), and Clifford R. Oviatt, Jr., McGuire, Woods, Battle, and Boothe, both of Washington, D.C.; Michael T. Manley, Blake and Uhlig, Kansas City, Kansas, on behalf of the International Brotherhood of Boilermakers, Iron Ship Builders, Blacksmiths, Forgers and Helpers (AFL-CIO); and Thomas J. Cook, Omega Electric Construction Company, Inc., Williston, Vermont.